THE East is troubled with small-pox. The latest is Madison, Ind.

THE total deficiency in the funds of the Mechanic's bank at Newark are

up in price. This is said to be caused by the idea that cattle pay better than sheep, and some sheep men are said to the same assemble as near the center of the continent as possible." This was a docbe giving up sheep and taking to cattle.

A PROMINENT gentleman of New Mexico bet two boxes of eigars to one that within two weeks after the burial of President Garfield. Blaine would not be a member of the Cabinet. but the gentleman lost his bet and Blaine still reigns.

A BOOK is being sold on railroad trains now-a-days purporting to be the life of "Billy, the Kid." If the author in the prophet's life.—Sunday Afterof the work had lived in Boston and had never read more than one newspaper article about the above named gentleman, he might be excused for furnishing no more facts, but it is a case of

The crops of Kansas are very poor this year. All through the eastern part | ueation would be useful, but it must be of the State not more than a half crop of corn has been raised, and potatoes and fruit amount to almost nothing. Great alert in this direction than in any other. quantities of hay were put up, but To rectify the evil by the application of heavy and continuous rains during the special knowledge would require scores month of October destroyed much of it.

The people of Kansas, however, are an energetic set, and will live in hope of better crops another year.

#### The Male Sex Dress.

"The fact is that there are very few men who are formed regularly. What particular subject as a lack of that mena professional cutter would call a 'regular proportion is the measurement of meeting the whole class of impositions thirty-six inches to the breast and thirty-six inches to the waist. But those measurements are seldom met with.

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But those measurements are seldom met with. ed. Naturally, in such cases a man's pressed. To remedy this slight deformty, the expert cutter must resort to

"Talk about padding," said an old cutter, "the men are really padded as much as the women. "Do you think that men are as parti-

that they do not always know what virtue. of it from childhood. They see some-thing they would like, and say, 'make it like that.' They know how goods look when made up. But men are unreasonably fastidious. One thinks he puffs out to undue proportions. When the coat is finished, he tries it on, he says it doesn't fit, when the real trouble is that he does not swell himself out as he did when he was measured. If a man is punctilious about a very neat, close fit, the chances are that he will complain that his clothes are too tight when he tries them on. Then the man who says 'he wants them easy, and is not particular about the fit,' is to be feared. When he gets his clothes home his wife, or his sister, or his fellow boarders will scrutinize his garments and send him back to the unfortunate tailor."-N. Y. Sun.

# Origin of the Mormon Bibel.

The real author of the Book of Mormon was Rev. Solomon Spaulding, a graduate of Dartmouth College in 1785. His health failing he engaged in business, and in 1809 was living at Conneant, Ohio, where there are numerous Indian mounds. He then wrote a remance, setting forth the not new theory that the Nor.h American Indians were representatives of the lost tribe of Israel. Mr. Spaulding took advantage of his surroundings, and connected his story with the relies which were found in the mounds. In a fictitious introduction to his novel which he entitled "The Manuscript Found," he speaks of the book as one of the exhumed relies of a past age. He makes use of the Scripture style of expression. He tells of the departure from Palestine of a Jewish father, Lehi, and his four sons, Laman, Samuel, Lemuel and Nephi, of the various journies and their voyage to this Western Continent. Dissension and division are frequent. The descendants of the brothers develop into hostile tribes. Then came quarrels and wars, and finally a decisive battle, and in short, the substance of all that is found in the 'Golden Bible' of Joseph Smith. Indeed the Book of Mormon seems to be only a modified but mutilated edition of Rev. Mr. Spaulding's "Manuscript Found." There is abundant internal evidence that the later is a reproduction of the earlier work.

Spaulding used to read the chapters of his story to his neighbors, who were deeply interested in its progress, and were greatly entertained by the ingenuity of the author. He worked upon it three years, or until 1812, when he moved to Pittsburg, Pa. There he put his manuscript into the hands of a printer by the name of Patterson. He

kept it until the Book of Mormon was published, and then she produced it in proof of her assertion that Joseph's pretended revelation was a fraud. In the Boston Journal, of May 18, 1839, she told the story of the manuscript. The evidence is complete that Smith

expected to publish the book and it was

announced in the papers of 1813 as

forthcoming. It never was published.

had not the money to pay the bills. Spaulding died in 1816. The original

copy was returned to his widow, who

however, probably because Spaulding

of the work of Spaulding, by Sydney Rigdon, a workingman in Patterson's printing office. Rigdon confessed the fact afterward when he was cut off from the Mormon Church by Bringham Young. The three witnesses also quarreled with Joseph and Rigdon, and confessed to have sworn falsely. Rigdon on leaving the work of printing, bedon on leaving the work of printing, became a preacher of peculiar dectrines. Smith had quite a large following in certain views peculiarly his, and these two religious Ishmælites coming together, set to work to give the world a new bible. Smith, adding what was suited to his purpose, dictated Spauld-ing's story to Oliver Cowdrey from be-hind a screen, and the work was done,

"and palmed off upon a company of poor deluded fanatics as divine." The new prophet seems to have had but vague notions of what doctrines the new church should hold. Rigdon held to some doctrines which Smith did PORTIONS of Oskosh and Fon du Lac, in Minnesota, are flooded by the water from Lake Winnetago.

But they both agreed on the question of the Second Advent, then exciting their section of country. They made that doctrine prominent in their bible. The idea was "the end is at CATTLE in New Mexico are slightly hand; the Indians are to be speedily converted; America is the final gathering place of the saints, who were to

trine, and this they preached, and this chiefly at first. It may be said in brief, hat the religious teachings of the Book of Mormon relate to very modern questions. The discussions of 1830 and thereabouts, seem to furnish the new leaders with themes. Millinarianism is the main question. Infant Baptism, however, quite an ancient institution, is denounced; and wonderful to relate, polygamy, a much more ancient and for this country a very modern institution, is emphatically and repeatedly condemned. Polygamy as a duty, was

#### Education as a Bar to Fraud.

We state nothing new in saying that such impostures as Howe's bank prove a widespread deficiency in mental culrare cheek for a Denver publishing house to give to the world such a production.

It has been urged that the is a gross want of instruction in our school in the elementary principles of economies, a knowledge of which would serve as a protection in emergencies of this kind. Undoubtedly more of political p tivation. It has been urged that there cal economy in our common school edremembered that our swindlers are by no means limited to the financial sort. while the public mind is probably more things are taught, we are not sure that it would have made much difference with the chances of Mrs. Howe's bank-ing adventure. The difficulty was not so much a lack of knowledge on this tal preparation which would qualify for

This was said to a Sun reporter in reply cheated through their eredulity, and this to inquiries as to the shapes that are encountered by taliors who make custom clothing. Experienced cutters say that they are obliged to make allowances for possible Pages in closes. ances for peculiar forms in almost all over the country; and it is this every case. Many men have one which has to be met by education beshoulder higher than the other. This fore any efficient protection can be is particularly the case with those who do much writing. The right arm is oftenest kept continually on the desk, while the left arm is rested and lower-Credulity is easy belief, and the correclief. The credulous person is careless of evidence, and is, therefore, readily right shealder is raised and his left de- duped; the only remedy for this is doubt, distrust, an appreciation of the importance of evidence, and a trained capacity to judge of it. It is necessary that this state of suspicion and ques-tioning become a habit of the mind, and the sifting of evidence in practical affairs a distant branch of mental culticular about their dress as women? vation. To escape the evil effects of when they care atall, they are more fastidious. The trouble with men is The resistance to evidence they want. Women are more apt to must be active and vigorous until it is know exactly what they want, because they make a study of dress. They think and sound and valid. Our current culture is here profoundly at fault. Literary education, as such, does not favor this habit of mind; scientific education, property pursued leads to it necessarily. Literature flourished in its highest forms in the ages of credulity, while modern science only arose with the growth of the spirit of doubt. Training in the methods of scientific study seems, therefore, to us; the only adequate remedy for that laxity of thinking and dull credulity of the popular mind in which widesprend deceptions and impostures have their origin. - Popular Science Monthly.

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men's opinions are to make us happy. The pathway of progress will still, as of old, bear the traces of martyrdom, but the advance is inevitable Great designs are not accomplished without enthusiasm of some sort. It is

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